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A.—The information asked for is not readily available and its compilation would take a considerable time. The following statement shows the total extent of land reserved for assignment and assigned to depressed classes in the several districts up to 31st December 1920 :—

Serial number and district.	Area of fields reserved. (In acres.)	Area of fields assigned. (In acres.)
1. The Nilgiris	181·37	..
2. Chittoor	7,070·99	404·04
3. Ramnad	1,392·15	3·29
4. Tanjore	332·86	..
5. Bellary	18,107·45	1,221·51
6. Vizagapatam	27·90	2·66
7. Guntūr	28,508·91	6,473·57
8. North Arcot	13,220·09	207·18
9. Anantapur	86,204·85	942·70
10. Nellore	27,942·35	1,736·75
11. Tinnevelly	2,592·46	139·72
12. South Arcot	21,298·07	148·97
13. Coimbatore	9,998·25	293·48
14. Kistna	20,660·07	787·26
15. Madura	Nil.	140·37
16. Salem	19,045·29	192·29
17. Trichinopoly	19,545·21	78·38

The instructions issued on the subject by the Government are those contained in the note under paragraph 9 (2) of Board's Standing Order No. 15. The matter continues to engage the close attention of the Commissioner of Labour who obtains quarterly returns from Collectors.

Subjects dealt with by the Chief Secretary after the creation of a separate Secretariat.

488 Q.—Diwan Bahadur M. RAMACHANDRA RAO PANTULU : To ask the Hon'ble the Finance Member for a statement of the subjects dealt with by the Chief Secretary to the Government after the creation of a separate Secretariat for Finance and whether there has been any reduction to the establishments of the Chief Secretariat in consequence of the constitution of the separate Secretariat for Finance.

A.—A list of the principal subjects dealt with by the Chief Secretary to Government since the appointment of a separate Secretary for Finance is laid on the table*; it is only provisional at present.

A separate Finance Secretariat has not yet been constituted; the former establishment of the Chief Secretary with some additions deals with the Financial part of the Finance Secretary's work.

Loan for housing evicted Panchamas of Mottucheri in the city.

489 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR : To ask the Hon'ble the Minister for Local Self-Government whether—

(*a*) the Corporation of Madras applied for a loan of Rs. 30,000 for the construction of 100 tenements for the evicted Panchamas of Mottucheri in the Madras City, and, if so, what orders were passed by the Government thereon ; and

* Vide Appendix I on page 1024 infra.